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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 25 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 14th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Tommy Remengesau Jr., Vice-President of the Republic of Palau

Belarus

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Thailand

(continued overleaf)

TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
(27 and 28 September 1999)

The twenty-second special session of the General Assembly will open on Monday, 27 September 1999, ***at 9 a.m.*** in the General Assembly Hall (see p. 4). Live Webcast of the debate of the twenty-second session of the General Assembly will be available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address: *http://www.un.org/ga/island*

Announcement

An open debate of the Security Council will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, at 11 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber, with a briefing by the Secretary-General on the state of Africa.

Burkina Faso

Belgium

Chile

3 p.m. 15th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Petar Stoyanov, President of the Republic of Bulgaria
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Rinchinnyamyn Amarjargal, Prime Minister of Mongolia

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Carlos Veiga, Prime Minister of Cape Verde

   Croatia

   Viet Nam

   Kenya

   Ireland

   Benin

   Malta

   Uganda

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate. In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Saturday, 25 September 1999

ALLIANCE OF SMALL ISLAND STATES
(Ministerial meeting)

11 a.m.-2 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 27 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

9 a.m. 1st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States: debate:

His Excellency Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana

His Exellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister of the Independent State of Samoa

His Excellency Mr. Tommy Remengesau Jr., Vice-President of the Republic of Palau

His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus

His Excellency Mr. Leo Amy Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

His Excellency Mr. Win Aung, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar

Her Excellency Mrs. Rosario Green, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico

His Excellency Mr. Borys Tarasyuk, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

His Excellency The Honourable George Odlum, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saint Lucia

His Excellency Mr. Jaswant Singh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of India

Her Excellency Mrs. Satu Hassi, Minister for Environment and Development Cooperation of Finland

His Excellency The Honourable Seymour Mullings, MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica

His Excellency The Honourable Alexander Downer, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia

His Excellency Mr. Jérémie Bonnelame, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Seychelles

His Excellency Mr. Roberto Flores Bermúdez, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras

His Excellency Mr. Mark Isaac, Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Grenada

His Excellency The Honourable Kilroy Genia, MP, Minister for Attorney-General of Papua New Guinea

Her Excellency Mrs. Magdalena Lizardo, Vice-Minister for Cooperation of the Dominican Republic

His Excellency Mr. Ahmed Aboul Gheit, Chairman of the Delegation of Egypt

His Excellency Mr. Gelson Fonseca, Chairman of the Delegation of Brazil

His Excellency Mr. Elias Gounaris, Chairman of the Delegation of Greece

His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Ortega Urbina, Chairman of the Delegation of Nicaragua

His Excellency Mr. Ivan Šimonović, Chairman of the Delegation of Croatia

His Excellency Mr. Lee See-Young, Chairman of the Delegation of the Republic of Korea

His Excellency Mr. Farouk Kaddoumi, Palestine

3 p.m. 2nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States: debate:

His Excellency Mr. Carlos Veiga, Prime Minister of the Republic of Cape Verde

His Excellency The Right Honourable Owen Arthur, MP, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs of Barbados

His Excellency The Honourable Alfred Mubanda, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Uganda

His Excellency Mr. Eduard Kukan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovakia

Her Excellency The Honourable Hilda Kari, MP, Minister of Forestry, Environment and Conservation of Solomon Islands

Her Excellency Mrs. Maria Minna, Minister for International Cooperation of Canada

His Excellency Mr. Hiroshi Yamamura, Minister for Internal and Social Affairs of the Marshall Islands

His Excellency Mr. Erroll Glenn Snijders, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Suriname

His Excellency The Honourable Dr. Earl Asim Martin, Minister for Health and Women's Affairs of Saint Kitts and Nevis

His Excellency Mr. Santiago Nsobeya Efuman, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Equatorial Guinea

His Excellency Shaikh Mohammed Bin Mubarak Al-Khalifa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain

Her Excellency Dr. Ursula Eid, Deputy-Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany

His Excellency Mr. Leiv Lunde, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Norway

Her Excellency Mrs. Paulina Garcia de Larrea, Vice-Minister for International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

His Excellency Mr. Wang Guangya, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of China

His Excellency Mr. Martin Andjaba, Chairman of the Delegation of Namibia

His Excellency Mr. Danilo Türk, Chairman of the Delegation of Slovenia

His Excellency Mr. Walter Balzan, Chairman of the Delegation of Malta

His Excellency Mr. Sergey Lavrov, Chairman of the Delegation of the Russian Federation

His Excellency Mr. André Adam, Chairman of the Delegation of Belgium

His Excellency Mr. Yukio Satoh, Chairman of the Delegation of Japan

His Excellency Mr. Alain Dejammet, Chairman of the Delegation of France

His Excellency Mr. Isa Ayad Babaa, Representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

7 p.m. 3rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States: debate:

His Excellency Mr. Hassan Adamu, Minister for Environment of Nigeria

His Excellency Mr. Leonardo Santos Simão, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique

His Royal Highness Prince Ulukalala-Lavaka-Ata, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Defence of Tonga

His Excellency Mr. Abdelrahim Ahmed Khalil, Representative of the Sudan

His Excellency Mr. Ali Hachani, Chairman of the Delegation of Tunisia

His Excellency Mr. Francisco Tudela, Chairman of the Delegation of Peru

His Excellency Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, Chairman of the Delegation of Qatar

His Excellency Mr. Jargalsaikhany Enkhsaikhan, Chairman of the Delegation of Mongolia

Viet Nam

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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

3 p.m.
6 p.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 2

1. Election of officers
2. Organization of work
3. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/S-22/2* and A/S-22/2/Add.1)

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m.
6 p.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 8

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	2nd meeting	Conference Room 4

1. Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/C.6/54/L.1)
3. Allocation of items (A/C.6/54/1)

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

Morning*-1 p.m.	1st meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	2nd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

Document A/54/37

* Following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Draft report
2. Executive session on gratis personnel provided by Governments

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 27 September 1999

GROUP OF 77
(draft resolution on the Caribbean Sea and review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Islands Developing States)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE :

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON AFGHANISTAN
(at the ministerial level)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE :

CONTACT GROUP ON JAMMU/KASHMIR
(at the ministerial level)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT:

COORDINATING BUREAU

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

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Briefing

The Regional Representative of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Mr. Michael Platzer, will brief permanent missions on current efforts to implement the Barbados Plan of Action on Drug Control. The briefing will be held on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room E, and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Informal meeting

The ad hoc expert group meeting on "Economic Governance within the Context of Globalization: Conceptual and Policy Issues", organized by the Division for Public Economics and Public Administration of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will begin on Monday, 27 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1240 (DC1 Building). Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. S. Ran Kim (tel.: (212) 963-8391).

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Side event

In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a side event, organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy, on "Coastal and Lagoon Preservation: Lessons Learned from Venice" will take place on Monday, 27 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; telefax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/54/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Comittee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1. The list of speakers for items allocated to the Second Committee (A/C.2/54/1) will be open for inscription on Wednesday, 29 September, at 3 p.m.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; telefax: (212) 963-5935).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Second Committee *(on organization of work)* on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, at 1.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Side events

In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a side event, organized by the Permanent Missions of Papua New Guinea and Japan, on "The Impact of Natural Disasters on Small Island Developing States (focusing on tsunami)" will take place on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a two-part side event, organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will take place on Tuesday, 28 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The first part will be the launch of a series of *Island Environment Outlook* reports, dealing with the Caribbean, Western Indian Ocean and South Pacific. Mr. Klaus Toepfer, Executive Director of UNEP, will be among the speakers. The second part will be the formal launch of the Clearing House Mechanism of the Global Programme of Action on the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-base Activities. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Ministerial meeting

The Ninth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The meeting will be addressed by Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Mike Moore, Director-General of the World Trade Organization, Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Mr. Zéphirin Diabre, Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, and Mr. Sarwar Lateef, Senior Advisor, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank.

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Briefings

The Executive Secretaries of the five regional commissions will hold an informal briefing, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Makarim Wibisono (Indonesia), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, on "The Role and Activities of the Regional Commissions in the Regional Preparations for the Conference of the World Trade Organization in Seattle (United States) in November". The briefing will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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There will be a briefing for delegations by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Yakim Ertürk, on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1, on agenda items 99 (c) (Women in development), 109 (Advancement of women) and 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU), in cooperation with the World Conservation Union (IUCN), are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday, 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the United Nations Church Center (777 United Nations Plaza, 7th Floor).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations, originally scheduled to be held from 27 to 29 September, will now take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The new registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 30 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

11th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea

H.E. Mr. Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo, President of the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. The Right Honourable Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister of Lesotho, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Salim El-Hoss, Prime Minister of Lebanon, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mrs. Lydie Polfer, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Luxembourg; H.E. Mr. Suleiman Majed Al-Shaheen, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Kuwait; H.E. Mr. Didier Opertti, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uruguay and former President of the General Assembly; H.E. The Honourable Lakshman Kadirgamar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka; H.E. Mrs. Rosario Green, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico; H.E. Mr. Ali Alatas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia; H.E. Mr. Ismail Cem, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey; H.E. Mr. Andrei Gabriel Plesu, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania; and H.E. Mr. Aleksandar Dimitrov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Iraq and Kuwait.

Friday, 24 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4048th meeting

Small arms

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Secretary-General.

Statements were made by the Minister Delegate for Cooperation and Francophonie of France, the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of Slovenia, Malaysia and Canada, the representative of the Russian Federation, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Argentina, the Minister for Foreign Relations of Brazil, the Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of China, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain, the representative of Namibia, the Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of Gabon, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Gambia and the Secretary of State of the United States of America, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands.

The President made a statement on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/1999/28).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

12th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mrs. Mireya Moscoso, President of the Republic of Panama

H.E. Mrs. Mireya Moscoso, President of the Republic of Panama, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, President of the Dominican Republic

H.E. Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, President of the Dominican Republic, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Jacques Baudin, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Senegal; H.E. Mr. Kamal Kharrazi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran; H.E. Mr. Felipe Pérez Roque, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba; H.E. Mr. Kassymzhomart Tokaev, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan; H.E. Mr. Shunmugam Jayakumar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore; and H.E. Mr. Mohammed Said Al-Sahaf, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq.

13th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 13th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in an addendum to the present issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/184/Add.1).

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 1999

566th and 567th meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Vanuatu (CRC/C/28/Add.8).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Ratification: India (22 September 1999)*

Signature: Nepal (24 September 1999)

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Republic of Korea (24 September 1999)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority. Kingston, 27 March 1998

Signature: Namibia (24 September 1999)

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Signature: Benin (24 September 1999)

Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents. Helsinki, 17 March 1992

Ratification: Sweden (22 September 1999)*

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of September 1999 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Botswana
H.E. M. Legwaila Jospeh Legwaila

Asian States:
Turkey
H.E. Mr. Volkan Vural

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Muhamed Sacirbey

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Paraguay
Mr. Genero Vicente Pappalardo
Chargé d'Affaires

Western European and other States:
Iceland
H.E. Mr. Thorsteinn Ingolfsson

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Pass and Identification Office

The Pass and Identification Office will be open as follows: Saturday, 25 September, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 26 September, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Monday, 27 September, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.; and Tuesday, 28 September, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 27 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

9 a.m. 1st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Opening of the special session by the Chairman of the delegation of Namibia
2. Minute of silent prayer or meditation
3. Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee
4. Election of the President
5. Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory body for the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly (A/S-22/2 and Add.1)

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TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
(27 and 28 September 1999)

Live Webcast of the debate in the plenary of the twenty-second session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address: *http://www.un.org/ga/island*

Announcement

The programme of meetings of bodies other than the General Assembly at its twenty-second special session, scheduled for Monday, 27 September 1999, was published in *Journal* No. 1999/184 issued on Saturday, 25 September 1999.

6. Organization of the session (A/S-22/2)

7. Adoption of the agenda (A/S-22/1)

8. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/S-22/4): debate:

His Excellency Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana

His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister of the Independent State of Samoa

His Excellency Mr. Tommy Remengesau Jr., Vice-President of the Republic of Palau

His Excellency Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus

His Excellency Mr. Leo Amy Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia

His Excellency Mr. Win Aung, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar

Her Excellency Mrs. Rosario Green, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico

His Excellency Mr. Borys Tarasyuk, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

His Excellency The Honourable George Odlum, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saint Lucia

His Excellency Mr. Jaswant Singh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of India

Her Excellency Mrs. Satu Hassi, Minister for Environment and Development Cooperation of Finland

His Excellency The Honourable Seymour Mullings, MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica

His Excellency The Honourable Alexander Downer, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia

His Excellency Mr. Jérémie Bonnelame, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Seychelles

His Excellency Mr. Roberto Flores Bermúdez, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras

His Excellency Mr. Mark Isaac, Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Grenada

His Excellency The Honourable Kilroy Genia, MP, Minister for Attorney-General of Papua New Guinea

Her Excellency Mrs. Magdalena Lizardo, Under-Secretary of State for Planification of the Dominican Republic

His Excellency Mr. Ahmed Aboul Gheit, Chairman of the delegation of Egypt

His Excellency Mr. Gelson Fonseca, Chairman of the delegation of Brazil

His Excellency Mr. Elias Gounaris, Chairman of the delegation of Greece

His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Ortega Urbina, Chairman of the delegation of Nicaragua

His Excellency Mr. Ivan Šimonović, Chairman of the delegation of Croatia

His Excellency Mr. Lee See-Young, Chairman of the delegation of the Republic of Korea

His Excellency Mr. Farouk Kaddoumi, Palestine

3 p.m. 2nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate:

His Excellency Mr. Carlos Veiga, Prime Minister of the Republic of Cape Verde

Her Excellency The Right Honourable Billie Miller, MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Barbados

His Excellency The Honourable Alfred Mubanda, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Uganda

His Excellency Mr. Eduard Kukan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovakia

Her Excellency The Honourable Hilda Kari, MP, Minister of Forestry, Environment and Conservation of Solomon Island

Her Excellency Mrs. Maria Minna, Minister for International Cooperation of Canada

His Excellency Mr. Hiroshi Yamamura, Minister for Internal and Social Affairs of the Marshall Islands

His Excellency Mr. Erroll Glenn Snijders, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Suriname

His Excellency The Honourable Dr. Earl Asim Martin, Minister for Health and Women's Affairs of Saint Kitts and Nevis

His Excellency Mr. Santiago Nsobeya Efuman, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Equatorial Guinea

His Excellency Shaikh Mohammed Bin Mubarak Al-Khalifa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain

Her Excellency Dr. Ursula Eid, Deputy-Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany

His Excellency Mr. Leiv Lunde, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Norway

Her Excellency Mrs. Paulina Garcia de Larrea, Vice-Minister for International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador

His Excellency Mr. Wang Guangya, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of China

His Excellency Mr. Martin Andjaba, Chairman of the delegation of Namibia

His Excellency Mr. Danilo Türk, Chairman of the delegation of Slovenia

His Excellency Mr. Sergey Lavrov, Chairman of the delegation of the Russian Federation

His Excellency Mr. André Adam, Chairman of the delegation of Belgium

His Excellency Mr. Yukio Satoh, Chairman of the delegation of Japan

His Excellency Mr. Alain Dejammet, Chairman of the delegation of France

His Excellency Mr. Isa Ayad Babaa, Representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

7 p.m. 3rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate:

His Excellency Mr. Hassan Adamu, Minister for Environment of Nigeria

His Excellency Mr. Leonardo Santos Simão, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique

His Excellency Mr. Tu'a Taumoepeau Tupou, Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Tonga

His Excellency Mr. Abdelrahim Ahmed Khalil, Representative of the Sudan

His Excellency Mr. Ali Hachani, Chairman of the delegation of Tunisia

His Excellency Mr. Francisco Tudela, Chairman of the delegation of Peru

His Excellency Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, Chairman of the delegation of Qatar

His Excellency Mr. Jargalsaikhany Enkhsaikhan, Chairman of the delegation of Mongolia

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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

3 p.m.
6 p.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 2

1. Election of officers

2. Organization of work

3. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/S-22/2 and Add.1)

CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

3 p.m.
6 p.m. 1st meeting Conference Room 8

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 28 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

9 a.m 4th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate:

His Excellency Mr. John Briceño, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment of Belize

His Excellency Mr. Danny Wallace, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Environment and Local Government of Ireland

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His Excellency Mr. Souef Mohamed El-Amine, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Comoros

His Excellency Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Pakistan

His Excellency The Honourable Lakshman Kadirgamar, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka

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His Excellency Mr. Duminasa Shadrack Kumalo, Chairman of the delegation of South Africa

His Excellency Mr. Norman Pino, Chairman of the delegation of Venezuela

His Excellency Mr. Hans Linton, Chairman of the delegation of Sweden

His Excellency Mr. Volkan Vural, Chairman of the delegation of Turkey

His Excellency Mr. Amraiya Naidu, Chairman of the delegation of Fiji

His Excellency Mr. Ion Botnaru, Chairman of the delegation of the Republic of Moldova

His Excellency Mr. Hubert Wurth, Chairman of the delegation of Luxembourg

His Excellency Mr. Mohammad Samhan, Chairman of the delegation of the United Arab Emirates

His Excellency Mr. Alyaksandr Sychov, Chairman of the delegation of Belarus

His Excellency Mr. Bernd Niehaus, Chairman of the delegation of Costa Rica

3 p.m. 5th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States : debate:

His Excellency The Honourable Navinchandra Ramgoolam, Prime Minister of Mauritius

His Excellency Mr. Surin Pitsuwan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand

Her Excellency The Honourable Janet Bostwick, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bahamas

Her Excellency Mrs. Lila Ratsifandriamanana, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Madagascar

His Excellency The Honourable Thomas Motsoahe Thabane, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lesotho

His Excellency The Honourable Momoudou Lamin sedat Jobe, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Gambia

His Excellency Mr. Ali Alatas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia

His Excellency The Honourable Keli Walubita, MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Zambia

His Excellency Mr. Youssouf Ouédraogo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso

His Excellency Mr. Jacques Baudin, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Senegal

His Excellency Mr. Jan Pronk, Minister for Environment of the Netherlands

His Excellency The Honourable Jakaya Kikwete, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania

His Excellency Mr. Tichoa Jokonya, Chairman of the delegation of Zimbabwe

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His Excellency Mr. Juan Carlos Vignaud, Chairman of the delegation of Argentina

His Excellency Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Chairman of the delegation of Guatemala

His Excellency Mr. Alounkéo Kittikhoun, Chairman of the delegation of the Lao People' s Democratic Republic

His Excellency Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury, Chairman of the delegation of Bangladesh

His Excellency Mr. Naste Čalovski, Chairman of the delegation of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

His Excellency Mr. Alfonso Valdivieso, Chairman of the delegation of Colombia

His Excellency Mr. Hadj Nejad Hosseinian, Chairman of the delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran

7 p.m. 6th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States : debate:

His Excellency Mr. José Pereira Batista, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Guinea-Bissau

His Excellency The Honourable Ismail Shafeeu, Minister of Home Affairs, Housing and Environment of Maldives

His Excellency Mr. Dore Gold, Chairman of the delegation of Israel

His Excellency Mr. Inocencio Arias, Chairman of the delegation of Spain

His Excellency Mr. Hasmy Agam, Chairman of the delegation of Malaysia

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His Excellency Archbishop Renato Raffaele Martino, Chairman of the delegation of the Holy See

His Excellency Mr. José Antonio Linati-Bosch, Chairman of the delegation of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta

United States Virgin Islands

Guam

His Excellency Chief Emaka Anyaoku, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth, Commonwealth Secretariat

His Excellency Mr. Noel Levi, Secretary-General of the South Pacific Forum

American Samoa

His Excellency Mr. Simón Molina Duarte, Secretary-General of the Association of Caribbean States

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 24 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

13th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Lansana Conté, President of the Republic of Guinea

H.E. Mr. Lansana Conté, President of the Republic of Guinea, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Colonel (Retired) Yahya Jammeh, President of the Republic of Gambia

H.E. Colonel (Retired) Yahya Jammeh, President of the Republic of the Gambia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana

H.E. Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Janez Drnovsek, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Sir Michael Somare, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Papua New Guinea; H.E. Mr. Jozies van Aartsen, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; H.E. Mr. Yousef Bin Alawi Bin Abdullah, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Oman; H.E. Mr. János Martonyi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Hungary; H.E. Mr. Halldór Ásgrímsson, Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Iceland; H.E. Mrs. Andrea Willi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liechtenstein; His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brunei Darussalam; and H.E. Mr. Win Aung, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the United States, Cuba and Iraq.

Saturday, 25 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

14th plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/54/333/Add.3) [125]

The General Assembly took note that Guinea had made the necessary payments to reduce their arrears below the amount specified in the Article 19 of the Charter.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Tommy Remengesau Jr., Vice-President of the Republic of Palau, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Ural Latypov, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belarus; H.E. Mr. Paek Nam Sun, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; H.E. Mr. Surin Pitsuwan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand; H.E. Mr. Youssouf Ouédraogo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso; H.E. Mr. Louis Michel, Vice-Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Belgium, H.E. Mr. Juan Gabriel Valdés, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chile; and H.E. The Honourable Dr. Joseph Borg, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malta.

15th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 15th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/185).

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 28 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Sierra Leone (S/1999/1003)

Security Council resolutions 1160 (1998), 1199 (1998), 1203 (1998), 1239 (1999) and 1244 (1999) (S/1999/987)

Other matters

Announcement

An open debate of the Security Council will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, at 11 a.m. in the Security Council Chamber, with a briefing by the Secretary-General on the state of Africa.

TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
(27 and 28 September 1999)

Live Webcast of the debate in the plenary of the twenty-second session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address: *http://www.un.org/ga/island*

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

9 a.m. 3rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate [8]:

His Excellency Mr. John Briceño, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment of Belize

His Excellency Mr. Abdul-Qader Ba-Jammal, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yemen

His Excellency Mr. Danny Wallace, TD, Minister of State at the Department of Environment and Local Government of Ireland

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His Excellency Mr. Alyaksandr Sychov, Chairman of the delegation of Belarus

His Excellency Mr. Bernd Niehaus, Chairman of the delegation of Costa Rica

3 p.m. 4th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Credentials of representatives to the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/S-22/7) [3 (b)]

2. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate [8]:

His Excellency Mr. Surin Pitsuwan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand

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His Excellency Mr. Baboucarr-Blaise Ismalia Jagne, Chairman of the delegation of the Gambia

7 p.m. 5th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate [8]:

His Excellency The Honourable Rajkeswur Purryag, Deputy Prime Minister of Mauritius

His Excellency Mr. José Pereira Batista, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Guinea-Bissau

His Excellency The Honourable Ismail Shafeeu, Minister of Home Affairs, Housing and Environment of Maldives

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American Samoa

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His Excellency Mr. Edwin Carrington, Chairman of the observer delegation of the Caribbean Community

Anguilla

2. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session* [8]

   Adoption of final documents [9]

3. Minute of silent prayer or meditation [2]

4. Closure of the twenty-second special session

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* To be issued in the course of the day.

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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

10 a.m.
1 p.m. 2nd meeting Conference Room 2

1. Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (A/S-22/2 and Add.1)

2. Election of officers

3. Adoption of the draft report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole (A/S-22/AC.1/L.1)

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: *http://www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm*. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	3rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	4th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Meeting with Mr. Toshiyuki Niwa, Assistant Secretary-General, Office of Central Support Services
2. Draft report

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 28 September 1999

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on the organization of work of the Second Committee)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

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There will be a ministerial meeting of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) *today*, 28 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Side events

In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a side event, organized by the Permanent Missions of Papua New Guinea and Japan, on "The Impact of Natural Disasters on Small Island Developing States (focusing on tsunami)" will take place *today*, 28 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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In connection with the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly on the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, a two-part side event, organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), will take place *today*, 28 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The first part will be the launch of a series of *Island Environment Outlook* reports, dealing with the Caribbean, Western Indian Ocean and South Pacific. Mr. Klaus Toepfer, Executive Director of UNEP, will be among the speakers. The second part will be the formal launch of the Clearing House Mechanism of the Global Programme of Action on the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-base Activities. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special meeting

There will be a donors' meeting, organized by the United Nations Development Programme with the small island developing States, *today*, 28 September 1999, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be an informal meeting of troop contributors to the United Nations Observer Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC) *today*, 28 September 1999, at 3.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 29 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 16th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister of the Independent State of Samoa

Address by His Excellency Dr. Mahatir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia

Australia

Israel

Bahrain

Chad

Bhutan

3 p.m. 17th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Malam Bacai Sanha, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Jamaica

Poland

New Zealand

Tunisia

Armenia

Ethiopia

Gabon

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Lithuania

Antigua and Barbuda

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	2nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	5th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	6th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; fax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/54/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/54/L.1. The list of speakers for items allocated to the Second Committee (A/C.2/54/1) will be open for inscription on Wednesday, 29 September, at 3 p.m.

Panel of experts

There will be a panel of experts to discuss the issue of "Globalization and National Economic Governance" on Thursday, 30 September 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. (conference room to be announced). The panel will be composed by Sir Ralph Willis, former Minister of the Australian Government, Professor Aseem Prakash of the George Washington University, Washington, D.C., and Professor George N. Von Tunzelman of the University of Sussex, United Kingdom. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; fax: (212) 963- 5935).

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 3rd meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following items on its agenda: Organization of work (A/C.5/54/1, A/C.5/54/L.1 and A/C.5/54/L.2*); Item 129 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (A/53/1018 and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*)); Item 130 (Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission : Report of the Secretary-General on the developments relating to the issue of overpayment of mission subsistence allowance and compensatory time off (A/53/1023 and the related report of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*)).

Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting, the Committee will hold informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform (A/C.5/52/46, A/52/887, A/52/1010, A/53/271 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/53/692)).

At 3 p.m., the Committee will consider agenda item 169 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor (A/54/380* and the related report of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*), following which informal consultations on item 169 will be held.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers on all the items before the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to do so with the Office of the Secretary of the Fifth Committee (tel.: (212) 963-0542; fax: (212) 963-0360).

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The Under-Secretary-General for Management will make a statement to the Fifth Committee on item 122 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations) on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

The Secretary-General will address the Committee on that occasion.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session

There will be a meeting of the Economic and Social Council on Tuesday, 26 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to consider the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, specifically with regard to the question of the consultative status of Christian Solidarity International (E/1999/109 and Add.1), as well as other matters ready for action by the Council.

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The second regular session of the Organizational Committee of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) (Part I) will be held at Headquarters on 1, 2 and 4 October 1999 in Conference Room 6.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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There will be a meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on the United Nations Reform and Security Council Expansion *(at the ministerial level)* of the Organization of the Islamic Conference on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Ministerial meeting

The Ninth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The meeting will be addressed by Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Mike Moore, Director-General of the World Trade Organization, Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Mr. Zéphirin Diabre, Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, and Mr. Sarwar Lateef, Senior Advisor, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank.

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Briefings

The New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will hold a briefing on the *Trade and Development Report 1999* on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, at 12 noon in Conference Room 6. Mr. Yilmaz Akyuz, Chief Macroeconomist, UNCTAD, will be the main speaker. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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The Executive Secretaries of the five regional commissions will hold an informal briefing, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Makarim Wibisono (Indonesia), Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, on "The Role and Activities of the Regional Commissions in the Regional Preparations for the Conference of the World Trade Organization in Seattle (United States) in November". The briefing will be held on Wednesday, 29 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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There will be a briefing for delegates of the Second and Third Committees by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Yakin Ertürk, on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1, on agenda items 99 (c) (Women in development), 109 (Advancement of women) and 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU), in cooperation with the World Conservation Union (IUCN), are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday, 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the United Nations Church Center (777 United Nations Plaza, 7th Floor).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Is Poverty Engendered?", organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women and the Development Policy Analysis Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room DC2-2127 (DC2 Building). The seminar will be conducted by Ms. Shahra Razavi of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD). All interested members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Hartl (tel.: (212) 963-3140) or Mr. Henk-Jan Brinkman (tel.: (212) 963-4742).

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Panel discussion

On the occasion of the two-day plenary of the General Assembly devoted to the International Year of Older Persons, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom Mission to the United Nations and HelpAge International will hold a panel discussion on the topic "Beyond 1999 - Poverty, Independence and the World's Older People" on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Mrs. Julia Tavarez de Alvarez, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic, and Ms. Flora MacDonald, Chair of HelpAge International and former Canadian Minister for External Affairs, will be the panellists. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 30 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY (CTBT)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) will be convened from 6 to 8 October 1999, at the Redoutensaele in the Hofburg Palace in Vienna, Austria. The opening plenary meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6 October, at 10 a.m.

The Conference is convened by the Secretary-General in his capacity as Depositary of the CTBT, pursuant to Article XIV, paragraph 2, of the Treaty. In addition to the ratifiers and signatory States of the CTBT, the Conference is open to non-signatory States to attend. International organizations and non-governmental organizations will be able to attend as well. The provisional agenda and the draft rules of procedure were issued as documents CTBT-Art.XIV/1999/1 and 2. A background paper by the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission was issued as document CTBT-Art. XIV/1999/3. Copies of these documents are available in the Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140).

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views of ratifiers and signatories on facilitating the entry into force of the Treaty will be open *today*, 28 September 1999. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Mr. Shirchinjan Yumjat at the Secretariat of the Conference, Vienna International Centre (Austria) (room E0717; tel.: (431) 26030-6124; fax: (431) 26030-5953).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Saturday, 25 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

15th plenary meeting

Address by H.E. Mr. Petar Stoyanov, President of the Republic of Bulgaria

H.E. Mr. Petar Stoyanov, President of the Republic of Bulgaria, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by H.E. Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador

H.E. Mr. Francisco Guillermo Flores Pérez, President of the Republic of El Salvador, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. Mr. Rinchinnyamyn Amarjargal, Prime Minister of Mongolia, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Mr. Carlos Veiga, Prime Minister of Cape Verde, addressed the General Assembly.

The Assembly heard statements by H.E. Dr. Mate Granić, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia; H.E. Mr. Nguyen Mahn Cam, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam; H.E. The Honourable Bonaya Adhi Godana, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kenya; H.E. Mr. David Andrews, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ireland; H.E. Mr. Antoine Kolawolé Idji, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Benin; and H.E. The Honourable Alfred Mubunda, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Uganda.

A statement in the exercise of the right of reply was made by the representative of the Sudan.

Monday, 27 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

1st and 2nd plenary meetings

Note: The summary of the 1st and 2nd plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/186).

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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

1st meeting

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States [8]

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement.

The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Secretary read out a correction to the text of the draft Declaration contained in document A/S-22/2/Add.1.

Following statements by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and the Marshall Islands, the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole decided to recommend to the General Assembly the adoption of the raft Declaration, as orally corrected and revised, and the state of progress and initiatives for the future implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States as contained in document A/S-22/2/Add.1, as orally revised.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to take note of a letter and the annex thereto contained in document A/22-2/6, and to transmit them to the General Assembly at its fifty-fourth session for further consideration by the Second Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Barbados, Haiti, Mexico, the United States, Canada, the Marshall Islands, Cuba, Saint Lucia and Australia.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifth-fourth session

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

Election of the Bureau

The Committee elected Mr. Andrés Franco (Colombia), Ms. Victoria Hallum (New Zealand) and Mr. Hiroshi Kawamura (Japan) as Vice-Chairmen and Mr. Joško Klisović (Croatia) as Rapporteur.

Organization of work

The Committee adopted its programme of work as contained in document A/C.6/54/L.1.

Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 51/210 and 53/108, the Committee reestablished a Working Group to continue the work of the Ad Hoc Committee established by resolution 51/210 and elected H.E. Mr. Philippe Kirsch (Canada) to chair this Working Group and decided that the Working Group, like the Ad Hoc Committee, would be open to all States Members of the United Nations, members of specialized agencies or of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 51/157, the Committee decided to reestablish the Working Group on the United Nations Decade of International Law. Mrs. Socorro Flores Liera (Mexico) was elected as Chairperson of the Working Group.

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 53/98, the Committee set up an open-ended working group of the Sixth Committee to consider outstanding substantive issues related to the draft articles on jurisdictional immunities of States and their property adopted by the International Law Commission. Professor Gerard Hafner (Austria) was elected as Chairman of the Working Group.

The Chairman made a statement.

The representatives of Finland, Tunisia and Colombia spoke.

The Secretary also spoke.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 1999

568th and 569th meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Mexico (CRC/C/65/Add.6).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pass and Identification Office

The Pass and Identification Office will be open *today*, 28 September, from 7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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International Day of Older Persons
(1 October)

Within the framework of the 1999 International Year of Older Persons, the Ninth Annual Commemoration of the International Day will take place on Thursday, 30 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Further information can be obtained at the following telephone numbers: (212) 963-8104, 963-1285 or 963-1361.

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World Habitat Day, 1999

On the occasion of the World Habitat Day, 1999, the New York Office of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) will hold a panel discussion on the theme "Cities for All" on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 29 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

11 a.m. 4049th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation in Africa

Progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1999/1008)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 16th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister of the Independent State of Samoa

Address by His Excellency Dr. Mahatir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia

Australia

Israel

Bahrain

Chad

Bhutan

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m. 17th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Malam Bacai Sanha, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau
2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Jamaica

   Poland

   New Zealand

   Tunisia

   Armenia

   Sao Tome and Principe

   Gabon

   Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

   Democratic Republic of the Congo

   Lithuania

   Antigua and Barbuda

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: *http://www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm*. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	2nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Election of three Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur
2. Organization of work (A/54/250, A/C.2/54/1, A/C.2/54/L.1 and Add.1)

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	5th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Meeting with Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs
2. Draft report

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 29 September 1999

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE:

AD HOC OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS REFORM AND SECURITY COUNCIL EXPANSION

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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There will be a meeting of the Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the States members of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) *today*, 29 September 1999, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Ministerial meeting

The Ninth Annual Ministerial Meeting of the Least Developed Countries will be held *today*, 29 September 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The meeting will be addressed by Mr. Kofi Annan, Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Mike Moore, Director-General of the World Trade Organization, Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, Mr. Zéphirin Diabre, Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, Mr. Reinhard Munzberg, Special Representative of the International Monetary Fund to the United Nations, and Mr. Sarwar Lateef, Senior Advisor, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank.

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The New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will hold a briefing on the *Trade and Development Report 1999 today*, 29 September 1999, at 12 noon in Conference Room 6. Mr. Yilmaz Akyuz, Chief Macroeconomist, UNCTAD, will be the main speaker. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 30 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 18th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Said Musa, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance and Foreign Affairs of Belize

Qatar

Mauritius

Congo

Syrian Arab Republic

Republic of Korea

Ecuador

3 p.m. 19th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Bartholomew Ulufa'alu, Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands

Address by His Excellency Mr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, Prime Minister of the Republic of the Niger

Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Nepal

Barbados

Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

Yemen

Saint Lucia

Sudan

Saudi Arabia

Sierra Leone

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	6th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	7th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; fax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/54/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Committee, will be open for inscription *today,* 29 September 1999, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee, Ms. June Knesl, (tel.: (212) 963-5709; fax: (212) 963-5935).

Panel of experts

There will be a panel of experts to discuss the issue of "Globalization and National Economic Governance" on Thursday, 30 September 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The panel will be composed by Mr. Ralph Willis, former Minister of the Australian Government, Professor Aseem Prakash of the George Washington University, Washington, D.C., and Professor George N. Von Tunzelman of the University of Sussex, United Kingdom. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; fax: (212) 963- 5935).

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The Fifth Committee will hold its 3rd meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following items on its agenda: Organization of work (A/C.5/54/1, A/C.5/54/L.1 and A/C.5/54/L.2*); Item 129 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (A/53/1018 and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*)); Item 130 (Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission : Report of the Secretary-General on the developments relating to the issue of overpayment of mission subsistence allowance and compensatory time off (A/53/1023 and the related report of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*)).

Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting, the Committee will hold informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform (A/C.5/52/46, A/52/887, A/52/1010, A/53/271 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/53/692)).

At 3 p.m., the Committee will consider agenda item 169 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor (A/54/380* and the related report of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*), following which informal consultations on item 169 will be held.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers on all the items before the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to do so with the Office of the Secretary of the Fifth Committee (tel.: (212) 963-0542; fax: (212) 963-0360).

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The Under-Secretary-General for Management will make a statement to the Fifth Committee on item 122 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations) on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

The Secretary-General will address the Committee on that occasion.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The second regular session of the Organizational Committee of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) (Part I) will be held at Headquarters on 1, 2 and 4 October 1999 in Conference Room 6.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend. A note on the proposed organization of work for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission can be obtained from the Secretariat in room 1370 (DC2 Building).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Briefings

The United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) will hold briefings on UNIFEM regional programmes in support of the Beijing Platform for Action on the following days from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m.:

Friday, 1 October, in Conference Room 8: Latin America and the Caribbean;

Friday, 1 October, in Conference Room 9: Central and Eastern Europe;

Monday, 4 October, in Conference Room 8: Africa; and

Tuesday, 5 October, in Conference Room 6: Asia and the Pacific.

Delegates from these regions and interested Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Anu Gupta (tel.: (212) 906-6289).

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There will be a briefing for delegates of the Second and Third Committees by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Yakin Ertürk, on *Monday, 4 October 1999*, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1, on agenda items 99 (c) (Women in development), 109 (Advancement of women) and 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Workshops

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU), in cooperation with the World Conservation Union (IUCN), are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English on Thursday, 30 September, and on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the United Nations Church Center (777 United Nations Plaza, 7th Floor).

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The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Is Poverty Engendered?", organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women and the Development Policy Analysis Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Friday, 1 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room DC2-2127 (DC2 Building). The seminar will be conducted by Ms. Shahra Razavi of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD). All interested members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Hartl (tel.: (212) 963-3140) or Mr. Henk-Jan Brinkman (tel.: (212) 963-4742).

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Panel discussion

On the occasion of the two-day plenary of the General Assembly devoted to the International Year of Older Persons, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom Mission to the United Nations and HelpAge International will hold a panel discussion on the topic "Beyond 1999 - Poverty, Independence and the World's Older People" on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Mrs. Julia Tavarez de Álvarez, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic, and Ms. Flora MacDonald, Chair of HelpAge International and former Canadian Minister for External Affairs, will be the panellists. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is Thursday, 30 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY (CTBT)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) will be convened from 6 to 8 October 1999, at the Redoutensaele in the Hofburg Palace in Vienna, Austria. The opening plenary meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6 October, at 10 a.m.

The Conference is convened by the Secretary-General in his capacity as Depositary of the CTBT, pursuant to Article XIV, paragraph 2, of the Treaty. In addition to the ratifiers and signatory States of the CTBT, the Conference is open to non-signatory States to attend. International organizations and non-governmental organizations will be able to attend as well. The provisional agenda and the draft rules of procedure were issued as documents CTBT-Art.XIV/1999/1 and 2. A background paper by the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission was issued as document CTBT-Art. XIV/1999/3. Additional copies of these documents are available in the Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140).

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views of ratifiers and signatories on facilitating the entry into force of the Treaty is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Mr. Shirchinjan Yumjat at the Secretariat of the Conference, Vienna International Centre (Austria) (room E0717; tel.: (431) 26030-6124; fax: (431) 26030-5953).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 27 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

1st plenary meeting

Opening of the session by the Temporary President, the Chairman of the Delegation of Namibia [1]

The Temporary President, H.E. Mr. Martin Andjaba, declared open the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly.

Minute of silent prayer or meditation [2]

The Temporary President then invited members of the General Assembly to observe one minute of silent prayer or meditation.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) (A/S-22/7)

The Temporary President drew the attention of the General Assembly to a letter addressed by the Secretary-General (A/S-22/7) concerning the arrears of 22 Member States in the payment of their financial contribution to the United Nations.

Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee [3 (a)]

On the recommendation of the Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory body for the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly, the Assembly decided that the Credentials Committee for the twenty-second special session would consist of the same members as those appointed for the fifty-fourth session of the Assembly, namely Austria, Bolivia, China, the Philippines, the Russian Federation, South Africa, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago and the United States of America.

The Temporary President called attention to the fact that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the special session, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedures of the General Assembly, and urged all members to submit the credentials of representatives to the Secretary-General as soon as possible.

Election of the President of the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly [4]

On the recommendation of the preparatory body, the General Assembly elected the President of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Theo-Ben Gurirab (Namibia) President of the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly.

The President made a statement.

Statement by the Secretary-General

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory body for the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly (A/S-22/2 and Add.1) [5]

The President informed the General Assembly that the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development acting as the preparatory body for the twenty-second special session of the Assembly was contained in document A/S-22/2 and Add.1.

Organization of the session: draft decision II (A/S-22/2) [6]

The General Assembly adopted draft decision II recommended by the preparatory body in paragraph 33 of its report (A/S-22/2).

On the basis of the decision taken by the Assembly, the President informed members that the Vice-Presidents of the twenty-second special session shall be the same as those of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly. The representatives of Algeria, Bolivia, China, the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, France, Grenada, Iceland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Lithuania, Monaco, Nigeria, the Russian Federation, Seychelles, Tajikistan, Thailand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America were elected Vice-Presidents of the twenty-second special session.

The President also informed members that the Chairmen of the Main Committees of the fifty-fourth session would serve in the same capacity at the twenty-second special session. The General Assembly elected H.E. Mr. Raimundo González (Chile), Chairman of the First Committee; H.E. Mr. Sotirios Zackheos (Cyprus), Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee); H.E. Mr. Roble Olhaye (Djibouti), Chairman of the Second Committee; H.E. Mr. Vladimir Galuška (Czech Republic), Chairman of the Third Committee; H.E. Ms. Penny Wensley (Australia), Chairman of the Fifth Committee; Mr. Phakiso Mochochoko (Lesotho), Chairman of the Sixth Committee.

In adopting the recommendations of the preparatory body, the Assembly established an ad hoc committee of the whole, designated as the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session.

In accordance with the recommendation of the preparatory body adopted by the General Assembly, the President informed members that the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole would be a full member of the General Committee of the twenty- second special session.

The General Assembly elected H.E. Mr. John Ashe (Antigua and Barbuda) as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole.

The General Committee of the twenty-second special session was thus fully constituted.

On the basis of the decision taken by the General Assembly, the President informed members that observers could make statements in the debate in the plenary.

The President also informed members that State members of specialized agencies of the United Nations that are not members of the United Nations, namely the Cook Islands, the Holy See, Niue, Switzerland and Tuvalu, could participate in the work of the twenty-second special session in the capacity of observers.

The President further informed members that associate members of the regional economic commissions, namely American Samoa, Aruba, the British Virgin Islands, the Cook Islands, French Polynesia, Guam, Hong Kong China, Macau, Montserrat, the Netherlands Antilles, New Caledonia, Niue, the Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands could participate in the special session, in the same capacity of observer that held for their participation in the 1994 Global Conference on Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States.

The President also informed members that Wallis and Futuna and Tokelau could participate in the special session in the capacity of observers.

The President also informed members that, given availability of time, a limited number of representatives of non-governmental organizations could make statements in the debate in the plenary. Accordingly, the General Assembly decided to hear the following three non-governmental organizations: the Caribbean Conservation Association, the Pacific Concerns Resource Centre and the Pan African Movement. The President further informed members that representatives of other non-governmental organizations that could not be accommodated in the plenary and those designated by their constituencies could make statements in the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole.

The President informed members that representatives of the United Nations system could make statements in the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole.

In accordance with the decision adopted by the General Assembly, the President also informed members that there would be six plenary meetings over the two day period, with three meetings per day from 9 a.m to 1 p.m., 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 7 p.m to 10 p.m.

The President reminded members that, on the basis of the decision adopted by the Assembly, the length of statements should not exceed 5 minutes so that all those inscribed on the list of speakers for a given meeting would be heard at that meeting.

Adoption of the agenda (A/S-22/1) [7]

The General Assembly decided to consider the provisional agenda of the twenty- second special session without referring it to the General Committee.

The Assembly then adopted the agenda as contained in document A/S-22/1 and as contained in draft decision I recommended by the preparatory body in paragraph 33 of its report (A/S-22/2) .

On the basis of the decision taken by the Assembly, the President informed members that all items would be considered directly in plenary and that agenda item 8 had also been allocated to the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole for consideration, on the understanding that the debate on the item would take place in plenary meeting.

The President further informed the Assembly that the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole would consider two texts entitled "Draft declaration" and "State of progress and initiatives for the future implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States", respectively, and that both texts appeared in document A/S-22/2/Add.1.

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Bharrat Jagdeo, President of the Republic of Guyana; H.E. The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister of the Independant State of Samoa; H.E. Mr. Tommy Remengesau, Vice-President of the Republic of Palau; H.E. Mr. Glafcos Clerides, President of the Republic of Cyprus; H.E. Mr. Leo Amy Falcam, President of the Federated States of Micronesia; H.E. Mr Win Aung, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar; H.E. Mrs. Rosario Green, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mexico; H.E. Mr. Borys Tarasyuk, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; H.E. The Honourable George Odlum, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saint Lucia; H.E. Mr. Jaswant Singh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of India; H.E. Mrs. Satu Hassi, Minister for Environment and Development Cooperation of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), H.E. The Honourable Seymour Mullings, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica, H.E. The Honourable Alexander Downer, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia, H.E. Mr. Jérémie Bonnelame, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Seychelles, H.E. Mrs. Magdalena Lizardo, Under-Secretary of State for Planning of the Dominican Republic; H. E. Mr. Mark Isaac, Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Grenada; H.E. The Honourable Kilroy Genia, Minister for Attorney-General of Papua New Guinea; H.E. Mr. Roberto Flores Bermúdez, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Honduras; H.E. Mr. Ahmed Aboul Gheit, Chairman of the Delegation of Egypt; H.E. Mr. Gelson Fonseca, Chairman of the Delegation of Brazil; H.E. Mr. Elias Gounaris, Chairman of the Delegation of Greece; H.E. Mr. Juan Carlos Vignaud, Chairman of the Delegation of Argentina; H.E. Mr. Ivan Šimonovič, Chairman of the Delegation of Croatia and Mr Farouk Kaddoumi, the observer of Palestine.

2nd plenary meeting

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: continuation of the debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Carlos Veiga, Prime Minister of the Republic of Cape Verde; H.E. The Honourable Mrs. Billie Miller, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Barbados; H.E. The Honourable Betty Okwir, Cabinet Minister, Office of the Vice-President of Uganda; H.E. Mr. Eduard Kukan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovakia; H.E. The Honourable Hilda Kari, Minister of Forestry, Environment and Conservation of Solomon Islands; H.E. Mrs. Maria Minna, Minister for International Cooperation of Canada; H.E. Mr. Hiroshi Yamamura, Minister for Internal Affairs of the Marshall Islands; H.E. Mr. Erroll Glenn Snijders, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Suriname; H.E. The Honourable Dr. Earl Asim Martin, Minister for Health and Women's Affairs of Saint Kitts and Nevis; H.E. Mr. Santiago Nsobeya Efuman, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Equatorial Guinea; H.E. Shaikh Mohammed Bin Mubarak Al-Khalifa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain; H.E. Ms. Uschi Eid, Deputy-Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany; H.E. Mr. Leiv Lunde, State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Norway; H.E. Mrs. Paulina García de Larrea, Vice-Minister for International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador; H.E. Mr. Wang Guangya, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of China; H.E. Mr. Martin Andjaba, Chairman of the delegation of Namibia; H.E. Mr. Danilo Türk, Chairman of the delegation of Slovenia; H.E. Mr. Nikolai Tchoulkov, Representative of the Russian Federation; H.E. Mr. André Adam, Chairman of the delegation of Belgium; H.E. Mr. Yukio Satoh, Chairman of the delegation of Japan; H.E. Mr. Alain Dejammet, Chairman of the delegation of France; H.E. Mr. Isa Ayad Babaa, Representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya; H.E. Mr. Hassan Adamu, Minister for Environment of Nigeria; H.E. Mr. Tu'a Taumoepeau Tupou, Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Tonga; H.E. Mr. Abdelrahim Ahmed Khalil, Representative of the Sudan; H.E. Mr. Ali Hachani, Chairman of the delegation of Tunisia; H.E. Mr. Francisco Tudela, Chairman of the delegation of Peru; H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser, Chairman of the delegation of Qatar; H.E. Mr. Jargalsaikhany Enkhsaikhan, Chairman of the delegation of Mongolia; and H.E. Mr. Leonardo Santos Simão, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique.

Tuesday, 28 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

3rd and 4th plenary meetings

Note: The summary of the 3rd and 4th plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/187).

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AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE TWENTY-SECOND SPECIAL SESSION

2nd meeting

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States [8]

Election of officers

The Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole, elected Mr. Navid Hanif (Pakistan) as Rapporteur, by acclamation.

Statements were made by the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, the Chief of the Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Regional Representative for the Caribbean of the United Nations International Drug Control Programme.

The representative of the World Meteorological Organization made a statement.

Adoption of the draft report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole

The Ad Hoc Committee adopted its draft report contained in document A/S-22/AC.1/L.1, as introduced by the Rapporteur.

The Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly thus concluded its work.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 1999

570th and 571st meetings

Consideration of reports by States parties [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the initial report of Mali (CRC/C/3/Add.53).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Day of Older Persons
(1 October)

Within the framework of the 1999 International Year of Older Persons, the Ninth Annual Commemoration of the International Day will take place on Thursday, 30 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Further information can be obtained at the following telephone numbers: (212) 963-8104, 963-1285 or 963- 1361.

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World Habitat Day, 1999

On the occasion of the World Habitat Day, 1999, the New York Office of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) will hold a panel discussion on the theme "Cities for All" on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 30 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. 4049th (resumed) meeting Security Council Chamber

The situation in Africa

Progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1999/1008)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 18th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency The Honourable Said Musa, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance and Foreign Affairs of Belize

Qatar

Mauritius

Congo

Syrian Arab Republic

Republic of Korea

Ecuador

(continued overleaf)

3 p.m. 19th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Joaquim Alberto Chissano, President of the Republic of Mozambique

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Bartholomew Ulufa'alu, Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, Prime Minister of the Republic of the Niger

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Krishna Prasad Bhattarai, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Nepal

   Barbados

   Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

   Yemen

   Saint Lucia

   Sudan

   Saudi Arabia

   Sierra Leone

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) for the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly (20-25 September and 29 September-2 October 1999) is now available in room S-2925 (General Assembly and ECOSOC Affairs Division). The provisional list of speakers (No. 5) has also been sent by facsimile directly to the permanent missions (office of the Permanent Representative). The list of speakers is also available on the Internet at the following address: *http://www. un.org/ga/54/list54.htm*. Any queries concerning the list of speakers should be addressed to the Division (Mrs. Nicolle Matias-Veyne (tel.: (212) 963-5063)).

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	6th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Year 2000 compliance issue
2. At 4.30 p.m.: demonstration on on-line procurement

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Panel of experts

There will be a panel of experts to discuss the issue of "Globalization" *today*, 30 September 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The panel will be composed by Mr. Ralph Willis, former Minister of the Australian Government, Professor Aseem Prakash of the George Washington University, Washington, D.C., and Professor George N. Von Tunzelmann of the University of Sussex, United Kingdom. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will not be held until Friday, 1 October. The briefings will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Announcement

As from Thursday, 2 September 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place at 1.15 p.m., or shortly after the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 1 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 20th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Emomali Rakhmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Botswana

Bolivia

Malawi

Bahamas

Haiti

Togo

3 p.m. 21st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Estonia

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Madagascar

Philippines

Vanuatu

Azerbaijan

Mauritania

Dominica

Ethiopia

Eritrea

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	7th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	8th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; fax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

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THIRD COMMITTEE

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 3rd meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following items on its agenda: Organization of work (A/C.5/54/1, A/C.5/54/L.1 and A/C.5/54/L.2*); Item 129 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (A/53/1018 and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*)); Item 130 (Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission : Report of the Secretary-General on the developments relating to the issue of overpayment of mission subsistence allowance and compensatory time off (A/53/1023 and the related report of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*)).

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* To be issued.

Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting, the Committee will hold informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform (A/C.5/52/46, A/52/887, A/52/1010, A/53/271 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/53/692)).

At 3 p.m., the Committee will consider agenda item 169 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor (A/54/380* and the related report of Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions*), following which informal consultations on item 169 will be held.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers on all the items before the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to do so with the Office of the Secretary of the Fifth Committee (tel.: (212) 963-0542; fax: (212) 963-0360).

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The Under-Secretary-General for Management will make a statement to the Fifth Committee on item 122 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations) on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

The Secretary-General will address the Committee on that occasion.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The second regular session of the Organizational Committee of the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) (Part I) will be held at Headquarters on 1, 2 and 4 October 1999 in Conference Room 6.

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The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1 15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend. A note on the proposed organization of work for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission can be obtained from the Secretariat in room 1370 (DC2 Building).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a briefing for delegates of the Second and Third Committees by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Yakin Ertürk, on *Monday, 4 October 1999*, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1, on agenda items 99 (c) (Women in development), 109 (Advancement of women) and 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Workshop

The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Seminar

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Panel discussion

On the occasion of the two-day plenary of the General Assembly devoted to the International Year of Older Persons, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom Mission to the United Nations and HelpAge International will hold a panel discussion on the topic "Beyond 1999 - Poverty, Independence and the World's Older People" on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Mrs. Julia Tavarez de Álvarez, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic, and Ms. Flora MacDonald, Chair of HelpAge International and former Canadian Minister for External Affairs, will be the panellists. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the permanent missions. The registration deadline is *today*, 30 September 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY (CTBT)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) will be convened from 6 to 8 October 1999, at the Redoutensaele in the Hofburg Palace in Vienna, Austria. The opening plenary meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6 October, at 10 a.m.

The Conference is convened by the Secretary-General in his capacity as Depositary of the CTBT, pursuant to Article XIV, paragraph 2, of the Treaty. In addition to the ratifiers and signatory States of the CTBT, the Conference is open to non-signatory States to attend. International organizations and non-governmental organizations will be able to attend as well. The provisional agenda and the draft rules of procedure were issued as documents CTBT-Art.XIV/1999/1 and 2. A background paper by the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission was issued as document CTBT-Art. XIV/1999/3. Additional copies of these documents are available in the Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140).

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views of ratifiers and signatories on facilitating the entry into force of the Treaty is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Mr. Shirchinjan Yumjat at the Secretariat of the Conference, Vienna International Centre (Austria) (room E0717; tel.: (431) 26030-6124; fax: (431) 26030-5953).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 28 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

3rd plenary meeting

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. John Briceño, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment of Belize; H.E. Mr. Danny Wallace, Minister of State at the Department of Environment and Local Government of Ireland; H.E. Mr. Abdul-Qader Ba-Jammal, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yemen; H.E. Mr. Shunmugan Jayakumar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore; H.E. Baroness Amos, Government Spokeswoman for International Development in the House of Lords of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; H.E. The Right Honourable Donald McKinnon, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand; H.E. Mr. Fritz Longchamp, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Haiti; H.E. Mr. Souef Mohamed El-Amine, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Comoros; H.E. Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Pakistan; H.E. The Honourable Ralph Maraj, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Trinidad and Tobago; H.E. Mr. Jigmi Yoeser Thinley, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bhutan; H.E. Mr. Domingo Siazon, Secretary for Foreign Affairs of the Philippines; H.E. Ms. Ellen Margrethe Løj, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark; H.E. Mr. Franck Loy, Under-Secretary for Global Affairs of the United States of America; H.E. Mr. Valentino Martelli, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Italy; H.E. The Honourable Clement Leo, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of Vanuatu; H.E. Mr. Ricardo Castañeda-Cornejo, Chairman of the delegation of El Salvador; H.E. Mr. Norman Pino, Chairman of the delegation of Venezuela; H.E. Mr. Hans Linton, Chairman of the delegation of Sweden; H.E. Mr. Volkan Vural, Chairman of the delegation of Turkey; H.E. Mr. Amraiya Naidu, Chairman of the delegation of Fiji; H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth, Chairman of the delegation of Luxembourg; H.E. Mr. Mohammad Samhan, Chairrman of the Delegation of the United Arab Emirates, H.E. Mr. Alyaksandr Sychov, Chairman of the delegation of Belarus; H.E. Mr. Bernd Niehaus, Chairman of the delegation of Costa Rica; H.E. Mr. Bruno Rodríguez Parrilla, Chairman of the delegation of Cuba; H.E. The Honourable Lakshman Kadirgamar, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka; H.E. Mr. Duminasa Shadrack Kumalo, Chairman of the delegation of South Africa; H.E. Mr. Jacques Baudin, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Senegal; H.E. Mr. Jaime Gama, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Portugal H.E. The Honourable Thomas Motsoahe Thabane, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lesotho; and H.E. Mr. Ahmed Snoussi, Chairman of the delegation of Morocco.

4th and 5th plenary meetings

Note: The summary of the 4th and 5th plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/188).

Wednesday, 29 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4049th meeting

The situation in Africa

Progress report on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1999/1008)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, Australia, Belgium, Cuba, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Egypt, Finland, India, Indonesia, Japan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Norway, the Philippines, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, the Sudan, Swaziland, Togo, Ukraine, the United Arab Emirates, the United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Yemen and Zambia, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President extended an invitation to His Excellency Mr. Salim Ahmed Salim, Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

The Secretary-General of the Organization of African Unity made a statement.

The representative of Algeria made a statement, speaking on behalf of the current Chairman of the Organization of African Unity.

Statements were made by the representative of the United States, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Canada, the representative of Argentina, the Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of Gabon, the representative of the Russian Federation and the Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the United Kingdom.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of the Comoros, Ghana, Nigeria, Pakistan and Uganda, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Statements were made by the representatives of Namibia, Slovenia, Bahrain, Malaysia and Brazil, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Gambia, the representatives of France and China, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the Prime Minister and Minister for General Affairs of the Netherlands.

Statements were also made by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Yemen, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Malawi and the Minister of International Development and Human Rights of Norway.

The meeting was suspended.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

16th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate:[9]

H.E. The Honourable Tuilaepa Sailele, Prime Minister of the Independent State of Samoa, addressed the General Assembly.

H.E. Dr. Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia, addressed the General Assembly.

The Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Alexander Downer, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia; H.E. Mr. David Levy, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Israel; H.E. Shaikh Mohammed Bin Mubarak Al-Khalifa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bahrain; H.E. Mr. Mahamat Saleh Annadif, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Chad; and H.E. Mr. Jigmi Yoser Thinley, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bhutan.

17th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 17th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/188).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

Election of officers

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), Mr. Daúl Matute (Peru) and Mr. Alexandru Niculescu (Romania) as Vice-Chairmen. Mr. Hassam Edin A'Ala (Syrian Arab Republic) was elected as Rapporteur, by acclamation.

Organization of work

The Committee had before it documents A/54/250 and A/C.2/54/L.1 and Add.1.

The Secretary of the Committee suggested one oral amendment to the programme of work, as contained in document A/C.2/52/L.1. The Committee agreed to reschedule item 99 (h) to the morning of Tuesday, 26 October.

A statement was made by the representative of Sweden, on behalf also of Canada, Egypt, Mali, Mexico and Pakistan.

The Committee approved the programme of work, as orally revised, with the understanding that additional changes could be made during the course of the Committee's deliberations.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

WEDNESDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 1999

572nd and 573rd meetings

Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other competent bodies [5]

The Committee met with the Special Rapporteur on the right to education.

Methods of work of the Committee [6]

The Committee considered the item.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996

Ratification: Bulgaria (29 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Day of Older Persons
(1 October)

Within the framework of the 1999 International Year of Older Persons, the Ninth Annual Commemoration of the International Day will take place *today*, 30 September 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 1.45 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 4. Further information can be obtained at the following telephone numbers: (212) 963-8104, 963-1285 or 963- 1361.

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 30 September 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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World Habitat Day, 1999

On the occasion of the World Habitat Day, 1999, the New York Office of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) will hold a panel discussion on the theme "Cities for All" on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE EDITOR

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 1 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

East Timor

Briefing by Mr. Ian Martin, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the East Timor Popular Consultation

Other matters

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1414th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

Announcement

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available to Member States in accordance with the Notes by the President of the Security Council dated 27 July 1993 (S/26176) and 30 April 1998 (S/1998/354). In accordance with the aforementioned decisions, copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' "pick-up area".

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 20th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Emomali Rakhmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Botswana

   Bolivia

   Malawi

   Bahamas

   Haiti

   Togo

   Grenada

3 p.m. 21st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Estonia

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Madagascar

Philippines

Vanuatu

Azerbaijan

Mauritania

Dominica

Ethiopia

Eritrea

Angola

Marshall Islands

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on gratis personnel provided by the governments
2. Draft report

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Second regular session

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

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Friday, 1 October 1999

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE
(Annual Coordinating Meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(on the organization of work)

1.30 p.m.-3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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The Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations (CONGO) will conduct a consultation on the evolving relationship between non-governmental organizations and the United Nations, *today*, 1 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU), in cooperation with the World Conservation Union (IUCN), are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English *today*, 1 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Announcement

As from *today*, 1 October 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immeidately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, 2 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 22nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Swaziland

Trinidad and Tobago

Afghanistan

Republic of Moldova

Comoros

Cameroon

Rwanda

Burundi

Kyrgyzstan

Liberia

Maldives

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Second regular session

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Monday, 4 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	23rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	24th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons [106]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/268);

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.6*).

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Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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* Following the adjournment of the 4th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	7th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	8th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; fax: (212) 963-5305).

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The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; fax: (212) 963- 5935).

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 3rd meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following items on its agenda: Organization of work (A/C.5/54/1, A/C.5/54/L.1/Rev.1* and A/C.5/54/L.2); Item 129 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (A/53/1018)); Item 130 (Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission: Report of the Secretary-General on the developments relating to the issue of overpayment of mission subsistence allowance and compensatory time off (A/53/1023) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/54/418)).

Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting, the Committee will hold informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform (A/C.5/52/46, A/52/ 887, A/52/1010, A/53/271 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/53/692).

At 3 p.m., the Committee will consider agenda item 169 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor (A/54/380)) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/54/406), following which informal consultations on item 169 will be held.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers on all the items before the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to do so with the Office of the Secretary of the Fifth Committee (tel.: (212) 963-0542; fax: (212) 963-0360).

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The Under-Secretary-General for Management will make a statement to the Fifth Committee on item 122 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations) on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

The Secretary-General will address the Committee on that occasion.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend. A note on the proposed organization of work for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission can be obtained from the Secretariat in room 1370 (DC2 Building).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

The announcements in this section are reproduced as received.
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of any opinion whatsoever on the part of the
Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(briefing by the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs)* on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be a coordinating meeting of the Association of the South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN), convened by the delegation of Myanmar to the First Committee, on disarmament issues and other related matters on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room E. Delegations to the First Committee of the ASEAN Member States are invited to attend.

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Briefings

There will be a briefing for delegations by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Yakin Ertürk, on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1, on agenda items 99 (c) (Women in development), 109 (Advancement of women) and 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Panel discussion

On the occasion of the two-day plenary of the General Assembly devoted to the International Year of Older Persons, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom Mission to the United Nations and HelpAge International will hold a panel discussion on the topic "Beyond 1999 - Poverty, Independence and the World's Older People" on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Mrs. Julia Tavarez de Álvarez, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic, and Ms. Flora MacDonald, Chair of HelpAge International and former Canadian Minister for External Affairs, will be the panellists. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Workshop

The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY (CTBT)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) will be convened from 6 to 8 October 1999, at the Redoutensaele in the Hofburg Palace in Vienna, Austria. The opening plenary meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6 October, at 10 a.m.

The Conference is convened by the Secretary-General in his capacity as Depositary of the CTBT, pursuant to Article XIV, paragraph 2, of the Treaty. In addition to the ratifiers and signatory States of the CTBT, the Conference is open to non-signatory States to attend. International organizations and non-

provisional agenda and the draft rules of procedure were issued as documents CTBT-Art.XIV/1999/1 and 2. A background paper by the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission was issued as document CTBT-Art. XIV/1999/3. Additional copies of these documents are available in the Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140).

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views of ratifiers and signatories on facilitating the entry into force of the Treaty is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Mr. Shirchinjan Yumjat at the Secretariat of the Conference, Vienna International Centre (Austria) (room E0717; tel.: (431) 26030-6124; fax: (431) 26030-5953).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 28 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

4th plenary meeting

Credentials of representatives to the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/S-22/8) [3 (b)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Credentials Committee in paragraph 15 of its report (A/S-22/8) (resolution S-22/1).

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3 (b).

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: continuation of the debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Surin Pitsuwan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand; H.E. The Honourable Janet Bostwick, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bahamas; H.E. Mrs. Lila Ratsifandrihamanana, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Madagascar; H.E. Mr. Ali Alatas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia; H.E. Mr. Youssouf Ouédraogo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso; H.E. Mr. Jan Pronk, Minister for Environment of the Netherlands; H.E. Mr. Tichaona Jokonya, Chairman of the delegation of Zimbabwe; H.E. Mr. Abdus Samad Azad, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh; H.E. Ms. Akmaral Arystanbekova, Chairman of the delegation of Kazakhstan; H.E. The Honourable Jakaya Kikwete, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania; H.E. Mr. Ion Gorita, Chairman of the delegation of Romania; H.E. Mr. Fawzi Bin Abdul Majeed Shobokshi, Chairman of the delegation of Saudi Arabia; H.E. Mr. Alfonso Ortega Urbina, Chairman of the delegation of Nicaragua; H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Chairman of the delegation of Guatemala; H.E. Mr. Alounkèo Kittikhoun, Chairman of the delegation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; H.E. Mr. Naste Čalovski, Chairman of the delegation of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; H.E. Mr. Alfonso Valdivieso, Chairman of the delegation of Colombia; H.E. Mr. Baboucarr-Blaise Ismaila Jagne, Chairman of the delegation of the Gambia; H.E. The Honourable Ismail Shafeeu, Minister of Home Affairs, Housing and Environment of Maldives; H.E. Mr. Kataotika Tekee, Minister of Environmental and Social Development of Kiribati; H.E. Mr. Jacques Louis Boisson, Chairman of the delegation of Monaco; H.E. Mr. Inocencio Arias, Chairman of the delegation of Spain; and H.E. Mr. Dore Gold, Chairman of the delegation of Israel.

5th plenary meeting

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: conclusion of the debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Rajkeswur Purryag, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. José Pereira Batista, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Guinea-Bissau; H.E. Mr. Hasmy Agam, Chairman of the delegation of Malaysia; H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis, Chairman of the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda; and H.E. Mr. Lee See-young, Chairman of the delegation of the Republic of Korea.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Luigi Boselli, Chairman of the observer delegation for the European Community (on behalf of the European Commission); H.E. Archbishop Renato Raffaele Martino, Chairman of the Observer Delegation of the Holy See; H.E. Mr. José Antonio Linati-Bosch, Chairman of the observer delegation for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta; Mr. Robert Underwood, Observer of Guam; Mr. Carlyle Corbin, Observer of the United States Virgin Islands; H.E. Chief Emaka Anyaoku, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Secretariat; H.E. Mr. Noel Levi, Secretary General of the South Pacific Forum; H.E. Lt. Gov. Togiola Tulafono, Observer of American Samoa; H.E. Mr. Simón Molina Duarte, Secretary-General of the Association of Caribbean States; H.E. Mr. Edwin Carrington, Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community; and H.E. The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Observer of Anguilla.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 1st plenary meeting, the Assembly heard statements by Mr. Atherton Martin, Executive Director of the Caribbean Conservation Association; Ms. Losena Tabanakayau Salabula, Assistant Director of the Pacific Concerns Resource Centre; and Mr. Oomar Karabary, Representative of the Pan African Movement.

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: Report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole (A/S-22/9) [8]

Adoption of the final document [9]

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session, H.E. Mr. John Ashe

(Antigua and Barbuda), made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Ad Hoc Committee (A/S-22/9).

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session in paragraph 22 of its report (A/S-22/9) (resolution S-22/2).

The General Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session in paragraph 23 of its report (A/S-22/9).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Samoa.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda items 8 and 9.

Closing statement by the President

The President made a statement.

Minute of silent prayer or meditation [2]

The General Assembly observed one minute of silent prayer or meditation.

Closure of the twenty-second special session

The President declared closed the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly.

Wednesday, 29 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

17th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Seymour Mullings, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica; and H.E. Mr. Bronislav Geremek, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland.

Address by H.E. Mr. Malam Bacai Sanha, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

H.E. Mr. Malam Bacai Sanha, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Right Honourable Donald Mckinnon, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand; H.E. Mr. Saïd Ben Mustapha, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia; H.E. Mr. Vartan Oskanian, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Armenia; H.E. Mr. Jean Ping, Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and the Francophonie of Gabon; H.E. The Honourable Allan Cruickshank, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Tourism and Information of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; H.E. Mr. Yerodia Abdoulaye Ndombasi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; H.E. Mr. Algirdas Saudargas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lithuania; and H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis, Chairman of the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Rwanda, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Thursday, 30 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4049th (resumed) meeting

The situation in Africa

Progress report on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1999/1008)

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Jamaica, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without

the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Statements were made by the Secretary for Foreign Affairs of the Philippines, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation of Rwanda, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Togo, the Minister of State for External Affairs of India, the State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Slovakia, the Minister for External Relations of the Sudan, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Senegal, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ghana, and by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and South Africa.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia - and the associated countries, Cyprus and Malta, as well as the EFTA country member of the EEA, Iceland, which aligned themselves with this statement), the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Jamaica, the representatives of Egypt, Portugal, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Belgium, Japan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Morocco and the United Arab Emirates, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Comoros and by the representatives of Cuba, Swaziland, Uruguay, Zambia, Uganda, Pakistan and Nigeria.

The representatives of Canada and the United States made statements.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

18th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. The Honourable Said Musa, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance and Foreign Affairs of Belize, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Sheik Hamad Bin Jassim Bin Jabr Al-Thani, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Qatar; H.E. The Honourable Rajkeswur Purryag, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Trade of the Republic of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. Rodolphe Adada, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Congo; H.E. Mr. Farouk Al-Shara', Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Syrian Arab Republic; H.E. Mr. Hong Soon-young, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea; H.E. Mr. Benjamín Ortiz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ecuador; and H.E. The Honourable Billie Miller, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Barbados.

19th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 19th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/189).

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 1999

574th meeting

Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child [7]

The Committee held a meeting on the theme "The Convention on the Rights of the Child: A Decade of Achievements and Challenges".

575th meeting

Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child [7]

In the framework of the commemoration, the Committee held workshops.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Extension until 30 September 2001, with modifications, of the International Coffee Agreement, 1994, approved by the International Coffee Council in Resolution No. 384. London, 21 July 1999

Acceptance: Gabon (10 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Colombia (14 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Rwanda (15 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Netherlands (30 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Acceptance: Democratic Republic of the Congo (22 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Togo (22 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Burundi (23 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Angola (24 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Ecuador (24 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Japan (24 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Germany (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Costa Rica (28 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Cuba (29 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Belgium (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Brazil (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Côte d'Ivoire (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Finland (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: France (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Greece (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Honduras (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Ireland (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Italy (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Jamaica (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Luxembourg (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Spain (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Sweden (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Switzerland (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (30 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Habitat Day, 1999

On the occasion of the World Habitat Day, 1999, the New York Office of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) will hold a panel discussion on the theme "Cities for All" on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 1999 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Burundi
H.E. Mr. Gamaliel Ndaruzaniye

Asian States:
Uzbekistan
H.E. Mr. Alisher Vohidov

Eastern European States:
Bulgaria
Mr. Vladimir Sotirov
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Peru
H.E. Mr. Fernando Tudela

Western European and other States:
Italy
H.E. Mr. Francesco Paolo Fulci

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